



Maryland Health Care Commission

Thursday, December 17, 2015

1:00 p.m.

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(Agenda Item #3)



MCDB Data Release – JHSPH

COMMISSION MEETING

DECEMBER 17, 2015

Overview

- ❑ Goal: Review and vote on application for MCDB Data by Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
- ❑ Framework for evaluation of applications
- ❑ JHSPH application details
- ❑ IRB Review

Framework for Evaluation

- ☐ Appropriate use of data
 - ☐ Is it a permitted use?
 - ☐ Is the data appropriate for the project?
- ☐ Qualified user
 - ☐ Does the applicant have expertise with this type of data?
 - ☐ Does applicant have expertise with the specified analyses/projects
- ☐ Data Security / Data Management Plan
 - ☐ Is there an appropriate plan for securing the data?
 - ☐ Is access restricted to qualified users?
 - ☐ Adherence to limitations on re-release and reporting of data

JHSPH Application

☐ Appropriate Use

☐ Academic research with three aims:

- (1) Estimate the effect of the Total Patient Revenue (TPR) Program implemented in Fiscal Year 2011 in 10 rural Maryland hospitals on overall hospital care utilization and spending by the privately insured and Medicaid population in Maryland;
- (2) Assess whether the TPR program affected the patterns of service use and utilization of low-value care by this population; and
- (3) Determine whether the TPR program affected the intensity of care and quality outcomes for patients admitted with one of four specific conditions: acute myocardial infarction, ischemic heart disease, hemorrhagic stroke, and ischemic stroke. .

☐ Qualified User

- ☐ JHSPH and the Department of Health Policy and Management have extensive experience with these types of analyses and are a leading research organization in the area of health policy research.
- ☐ The project team has specific expertise with similar analyses, using both state and federal claims data.

☐ Data Security / Data Management Plan

- ☐ JHSPH has provided appropriate documentation of its data management plan to secure MCDB Data
- ☐ Access to MCDB data will be restricted to project staff, who will be identified to MHCC in the DUA

JHSPH Application

- ☐ Data request is for Commercial and Medicaid Data for CY 2010-2014
- ☐ MCDB includes eligibility records and claims files (professional, institutional, and pharmacy)
 - ☐ No direct identifiers in the data, such as name, address, SSN, etc.
 - ☐ Indirect identifiers include gender, age, zip code of residence, dates of service.
 - ☐ Member ID's will be masked to permit linking across MCDB files.
 - ☐ DUA will prohibit linking beyond MCDB files at the member level
 - ☐ DUA will prohibit efforts to re-identify members
 - ☐ No individual payor identification

Recognition of JHSPH IRB and IRB Review

- ❑ The JHSPH IRB has been previously recognized by the Commission in May 2016
- ❑ JHSPH's IRB has reviewed and qualified this application as exempt from IRB review based on 45 CFR 46.101(b)(4): *“Research involving the collection or study of existing data, documents, records, pathological specimens, or diagnostic specimens, if these sources are publicly available or if the information is recorded by the investigator in such a manner that subjects cannot be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects”*

Next Steps

- ☐ If approved by Commissioners, MHCC staff will execute a DUA with JHSPH and release data.
- ☐ Ongoing compliance review under DUA

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